## When to be concerned?

When you become aware of information that leads you to be concerned about the physical, emotional or sexual wellbeing of a child.

The information you may have may not be enough on its own for a child protection referral. However, it will help your **Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)** to make a decision about the risk of harm to the child.

If a pupil speaks to you and asks you not to tell anyone else explain that you cannot promise to do that. Explain it is your responsibility to keep them safe from harm and may therefore have to pass on the information to a safeguarding lead.

## **Alerts**

- You may see physical signs
- You may hear worrying accounts
- You may pick up emotional distress
- You may notice a change in a child's behaviour or presentation
- Someone may disclose to you

## Harm can be caused to a child by:

- A parent / carer
- Family member / friend
- Another child
- Stranger
- Member of staff / volunteer

If you think there is a safeguarding or child protection issue you **MUST** report your concern to the DSL

Mr Johnson Miss Smith Mrs Franks Mr Wills Miss Ashfield Mr Warner-Lynn Ms Scott

(form in front office) If your concern is about a staff member / volunteer you should report this to the Headteacher

## Mr Johnson

If your concern is about the Headteacher inform the Chair of Governors



via the Clerk to Governors

Mr Livesev who can be contacted at school



Miss Smith





Miss Ashfield





Mr Wills

Mr Warner-Lynn





Mr Johnson Headteacher

Any member of staff or volunteer who does not feel confident to raise their concerns with the Headteacher or Chair of Governors should contact the local authority designated officer directly on:-

Tel: 0344 800 8020

Or in an urgent situation the Police on 999

Please avoid using your mobile phone around school





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